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The Honorable T. Coleman Andrews  
Commissioner of Internal Revenue  
Bureau of Internal Revenue  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Andrews:

I have been informed that Dr. T. C. Atkeson of your staff is leaving the Bureau of Internal Revenue the end of August.

I have been aware of the valuable assistance your office has been giving us over the past few years and feel that it is largely the result of the personal ability and cooperation of Dr. Atkeson. His retirement, therefore, gives me an opportunity to commend him for a valuable contribution to the national defense and security.

Very truly yours,

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Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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Dear Mr. Dulles:

I am certain that Dr. Atkeson will appreciate no less than I your very gracious comments in your letter of the 5th upon the services that he has been able to render to your organization, and I hasten to thank you for the thoughtfulness that prompted your letter and for your having taken the time to write and give us the benefit of your experience with "Doc."

As I said in the public statement that I issued the other day in connection with the announcement of Doc's retirement, I doubt that I've ever known a more dedicated public servant, and I am certain that I have never worked with any man in either government or private business who has handled his job with more forethought. I do not recall having ever asked Doc about anything that he had not already anticipated and worked out.

I certainly do hate to see him leave the Internal Revenue Service, but I comfort myself with the thought that he probably is going to be of even greater service in taking on, as the final responsibility of an unusually useful life, the job of preparing some of the men and women of tomorrow for the terrific responsibility of dealing knowingly with the growing complications of government and the tax systems that seem to be necessary to keeping them going.

Thanks again for your gracious thoughtfulness, and believe me,

Cordially and sincerely yours,

T. Coleman Andrews  
Commissioner

Honorable Allen W. Dulles  
Director, Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington 25, D. C.

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